MEETING NOTES JULY 25, 2016 INDIANA GOVERNMENT CENTER SOUTH, SONFERENCE ROOM 1 1:30 P.M. EDT

Members present: Allen Paul, Win Moses, Mike Mullett, Larry Buell, Eric Scroggins, John Blevins (by telephone), Mike Evans (by telephone)

Members absent: None

I. Welcome

Committee Chair, Allen Paul, opened the meeting and asked each member to introduce themselves.

II. Approve July 1, 2016 Meeting Notes

The July 1, 2016 Meeting Notes were approved unanimously and without amendment.

III. Consider Resolution Concerning Applicant Party Affiliation

Dan Schmidt explained that the Resolution was prepared at Win Moses' request and that the criteria for determining an applicant's party affiliation mirror the statutory criteria governing appointments to local boards and commissions. Win Moses explained that he felt the Resolution was needed to formally state how the Committee would determine party affiliation. The Committee approved the Resolution unanimously and without amendment. The Resolution is attached.

IV. Executive Session

Before the Committee recessed for Executive Session, Mike Mullett informed the Committee that he was recusing himself from consideration of Laura Arnold's candidacy due to his personal and professional relation with her. Win Moses shared that he had a professional relationship with Ms. Arnold but he did not believe the nature of that relationship required him to recuse himself. The Committee then recessed for Executive Session to review the candidates' applications and determine to whom interview invitations would be extended.

V. Approve Interviewee List

The Committee also noted that Ronald Turpin had withdrawn his application.

Whereas, the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission Nominating Committee (the "Committee") is established under Indiana Code 8-1-1.5-3 for the purpose of submitting to the governor nominations of candidates to fill vacancies on the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (the "Commission"); and,

Whereas, Indiana Code 8-1-1-2(a) requires that not more than three of the five commissioners at the Commission may belong to the same political party; and,

Whereas, the Committee has deemed it appropriate to establish the criteria by which a candidate's party affiliation will be determined.

IN LIGHT OF THE FOREGOING, IT IS THEREFORE

- (1) The most recent primary election in which the candidate voted was a primary election held by the party with which the candidate claims affiliation.
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